

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 65th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON BUSINESS AND LABOR

Call to Order: Chair Mark Noland, on April 12, 2017 at 7:30 A.M., in Room 172 Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Mark Noland, Chair (R)
Rep. Amanda Curtis, Vice Chair (D)
Rep. Vince Ricci, Vice Chair (R)
Rep. Fred Anderson (R)
Rep. Willis Curdy (D)
Rep. Ross H. Fitzgerald (R)
Rep. Moffie Funk (D)
Rep. Bruce Grubbs (R)
Rep. Steve Gunderson (R)
Rep. Denley M. Loge (R)
Rep. Andrea Olsen (D)
Rep. Gordon Pierson Jr (D)
Rep. Adam Rosendale (R)
Rep. Casey Schreiner (D)
Rep. Jeremy Trebas (R)
Rep. Sue Vinton (R)
Rep. Daniel Zolnikov (R)

Members Excused: Rep. Sharon Stewart-Peregoy (D)
Rep. Jonathan Windy Boy (D)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Karen Armstrong, Committee Secretary
Pat Murdo, Legislative Branch

Audio Committees: These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. The link to the audio recording of the meeting is available on the Legislative Branch website.

Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: HJ 34, 4/11/2017
Executive Action: HR 4, SJ 20

00:01:02 Rep. Windy Boy joined the meeting

HEARING ON HJ 34

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:01:37 Rep. Mary Ann Dunwell (D), HD 84, opened the hearing on HJ 34, Study to examine revising liquor licensing laws.

00:06:46 Rep. Stewart-Peregoy joined the meeting.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:07:57 Brian Smith, Self

00:10:17 Matt Leow, Montana Brewers Association (MBA)

Opponents' Testimony:

00:15:54 Mike Hope, Montana Tavern Association (MTA)

00:28:02 Dax Cetraro, Self

00:29:35 Chad Bachmeier, Self

00:30:50 Tom Heisler III, Self

00:31:25 R. J. Haffner, Self

00:33:27 John Hayes, Self

00:35:11 John Iverson, Montana Tavern Association (MTA)

00:40:19 Neil Peterson, Gaming Industry Association (GIA)

00:42:42 Bob Miller, Liquor Store Owners Association of Montana

00:43:54 Tracy Prescott, Liquor Store Owners Association of Montana

00:44:42 Ronda Wiggers, Montana Coin Machine Operators Association

00:46:27 Jim Johnson, Montana Tavern Association (MTA)

Informational Testimony:

00:53:06 Shauna Helfert, Department of Revenue (DOR)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:53:28 Rep. Vinton

00:53:56 John Iverson, MTA

00:55:31 Rep. Rosendale

00:56:23 Matt Leow, MBA

00:56:57 Rep. Loge

00:59:49 John Iverson, MTA

01:01:48 Rep. Curtis

01:02:56 Matt Leow, MBA

01:03:13 Rep. Gunderson left the meeting.

01:03:45 Rep. Trebas

01:04:48 John Iverson, MTA

01:05:13 Rep. Windy Boy

01:05:24 Chair Noland left the meeting. Vice Chair Ricci assumed the chair.

01:06:44 Rep. Dunwell

01:08:00 Chair Ricci

01:11:25 Matt Leow, MBA

01:13:54 Rep. Pierson

01:15:22 John Iverson, MTA
01:15:46 Rep. Schreiner
01:16:58 Ronda Wiggers, Coin Machine Operators Association
01:17:16 Rep. Grubbs
01:17:42 Rep. Curtis
01:17:47 Shauna Helfert, DOR
01:17:59 Rep. Grubbs
01:18:06 Shauna Helfert, DOR

Closing by Sponsor:

01:18:25 Rep. Dunwell

01:23:34 Chair Ricci
01:23:46 Rep. Funk

01:24:13 Recessed
01:40:23 Reconvened with Rep. Windy Boy and Rep. Zolnikov excused.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HR 4

01:41:09 **Motion:** Rep. Curtis moved that **HR 4 DO PASS.**

Discussion:

01:41:25 Rep. Vinton
01:42:52 Rep. Loge
01:43:16 Rep. Olsen
01:44:56 Rep. Windy Boy joined the meeting.
01:47:35 Rep. Trebas
01:48:17 Rep. Olsen

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01:50:18 Rep. Trebas
01:52:13 Rep. Schreiner
01:54:48 Rep. Curtis
01:55:49 Rep. Vinton

01:56:39 **Vote:** Motion failed 9-10 by roll call vote with Rep. Curdy, Rep. Curtis, Rep. Funk, Rep. Grubbs, Rep. Olsen, Rep. Pierson, Rep. Schreiner, Rep. Stewart-Peregoy and Rep. Windy Boy voting aye. Rep. Noland and Rep. Zolnikov voted by proxy.

01:58:01 **Motion:** Rep. Curtis moved that **HR 4 BE TABLED AND THE VOTE REVERSED.** Motion was without objection

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EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SJ 20

01:58:22 **Motion:** Rep. Curtis moved that **SJ 20 BE CONCURRED IN.**

Discussion:

01:58:38 Rep. Curdy
02:00:03 Rep. Schreiner
02:00:50 Rep. Windy Boy

02:01:57 **Vote:** Motion carried 18-1 by roll call vote with Rep. Noland voting no. Rep. Noland and Rep. Zolnikov voted by proxy. Rep. Windy Boy will carry the bill.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HR 4

02:03:29 **Motion:** Rep. Windy Boy moved that **HR 4 BE REMOVED FROM TABLE.**

02:04:03 Recessed
02:04:39 Reconvened

02:04:50 Rep. Windy Boy

02:05:11 **Vote:** Motion carried 9-8 by roll call vote with Rep. Anderson, Rep. Fitzgerald, Rep. Gunderson, Rep. Loge, Rep. Ricci, Rep. Rosendale, Rep. Trebas and Rep. Vinton voting no. Rep. Gunderson and Rep. Zolnikov were excused and did not vote.

02:06:43 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Rosendale moved that **HR 4 BE TABLED.** Motion failed 9-10 by roll call vote with Rep. Anderson, Rep. Gunderson, Rep. Loge, Rep. Noland, Rep. Ricci, Rep. Rosendale, Rep. Schreiner, Rep. Vinton and Rep. Zolnikov voting aye. Rep. Curdy, Rep. Noland and Rep. Zolnikov voted by proxy.

02:10:02 Rep. Schreiner moved that **THE MEETING BE ADJOURNED.** Motion was without objection.

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 02:10:30

Karen Armstrong, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([buh77aad.pdf](#))